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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Virginia W. Cornish
Serial No. : 10/705,644 Examiner: Robinson, Hope A.
Filed : November 10, 2003 Art Unit: 1652
For : IN VIVO SCREEN USING CHEMICAL INDUCERS OF
DIMERIZATION

Notice of
Allowance issued : May 29, 2008

Confirmation No. : 4768

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July 7, 2008

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Sir:

COMMUNICATION TO CORRECT ERROR IN NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

This Communication is submitted after the mailing of a Notice of Allowance in connection with the above-identified application. The issue fee is due August 29, 2008 and has not yet been paid. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

This Communication is filed to request the issuance of a corrected Notice of Allowance in connection with the subject application. Recently applicants' undersigned attorney has become aware of an error in the official Notice of Allowance issued for the subject application, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.



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Specifically, the May 29, 2008 Notice of Allowance incorrectly lists the Title of Invention as follows:

Title of Invention:

METHODS AND ASSAYS FOR SCREEING PROTEIN TARGETS

A corrected Notice of Allowance should read as follows:

--TITLE OF INVENTION:

IN VIVO SCREEN USING CHEMICAL INDUCERS OF DIMERIZATION--

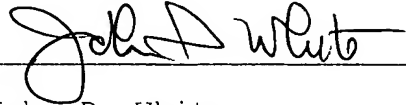
Applicants contend that the correct Title of the Invention may be found in the Filing Receipt, in the inventors' Declaration and Power of Attorney filed on November 10, 2003, and in page 1 of the specification as filed on November 10, 2003. A copy of the Filing Receipt is attached hereto as Exhibit B. A copy of the inventors' Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached hereto as Exhibit C. A copy of page 1 of the specification is attached hereto as Exhibit D. Accordingly, applicants request that a corrected Notice of Allowance be issued.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing consideration of this Communication, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Patent Office to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. However, if any fee is required authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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EXHIBIT A



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EXAMINER

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHODS AND ASSAYS FOR SCREEING PROTEIN TARGETS

APPL. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	YES	\$720	\$300	\$0	\$1020	08/29/2008

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. **PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED.** THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN **THREE MONTHS** FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. **THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED.** SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE DOES NOT REFLECT A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE IN THIS APPLICATION. IF AN ISSUE FEE HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN PAID IN THIS APPLICATION (AS SHOWN ABOVE), THE RETURN OF PART B OF THIS FORM WILL BE CONSIDERED A REQUEST TO REAPPLY THE PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE TOWARD THE ISSUE FEE NOW DUE.

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EXHIBIT B



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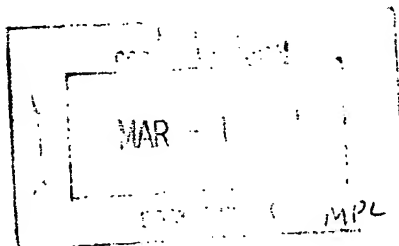
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FILING RECEIPT



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Date Mailed: 02/26/2004

Receipt is acknowledged of this regular Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION when inquiring about this application. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Filing Receipt Corrections, facsimile number 703-746-9195. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the USPTO processes the reply to the Notice, the USPTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

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Assignment For Published Patent Application

The Trustees of Columbia University in the city of New York.;

Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a DIV of 09/768,479 01/24/2001
which is a CIP of 09/490,320 01/24/2000 ABN

Foreign Applications

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 02/25/2004

Projected Publication Date: 06/03/2004

Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publication Request: No

** SMALL ENTITY **

Title

In vivo screen using chemical inducers of dimerization

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Exhibit B

**LICENSE FOR FOREIGN FILING UNDER
Title 35, United States Code, Section 184
Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 5.11 & 5.15**

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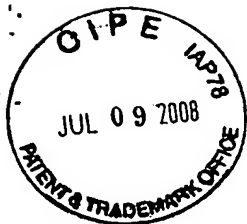
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EXHIBIT C



DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

AN IN VIVO SCREEN USING CHEMICAL INDUCERS OF DIMERIZATION

the specification of which:
(check one)

_____ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on January 24, 2001 as

Application Serial No. 09/768,479

and was amended _____
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 (a)-(d) or Section 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or Section 365(a) of any PCT International Application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below. I have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International Application having a filing date before that of the earliest application from which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
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Exhibit C.

Declaration and Power of Attorney

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

<u>Provisional Application No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status</u>
N/A		

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States Application(s), or Section 365(c) of any PCT International Application(s) designating the United States listed below. Insofar as this application discloses and claims subject matter in addition to that disclosed in any such prior Application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56, which became available between the filing date(s) of such prior Application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

<u>Application Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status</u>
09/490,320	January 24, 2000	Pending

And I hereby appoint

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and each of them, all c/o Cooper & Dunham LLP, 1185 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036, my attorneys, each with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and to file any International Applications which are based thereon under the provisions of the Patent Cooperation Treaty.

Declaration and Power of Attorney

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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EXHIBIT D



Docket No: 59154-AZ/JPW/GJG

AN IN VIVO SCREEN USING CHEMICAL INDUCERS OF DIMERIZATION

This application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/768,479, filed January 24, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/490,320, filed January 24, 2000, now abandoned, the contents of all of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

This invention has been made with government support under National Science Foundation grants CHE-9626981, CHE-9977402, and CHE-9984928. Accordingly, the U.S. Government has certain rights in the invention.

Throughout this application, various publications are referenced by author or author and date. Full citations for these publications may be found listed alphabetically at the end of the specification immediately preceding the claims. The disclosures of these publications in their entireties are hereby incorporated by reference into this application in order to more fully describe the state of the art as known to those skilled therein as of the date of the invention described and claimed herein.

Field of Invention

The disclosed invention relates to the evolution of enzymes *in vivo*, and drug screening *in vivo* through the use of chemical inducers of protein dimerization.

Background of the Invention

Initial efforts to design protein catalysts (enzymes) relied on the modification of individual proteins. (Kaiser 1984; Knowles 1987) Despite some successes, (Wharton 1985; Wilks 1988; Hilvert 1985, 1989, 1994; Imperiali 1994; Johnson 1993) protein engineering has proven to be difficult and has suggested that notions of how enzymes work may still be naive. Combinatorial techniques, which rely on generating and screening large pools

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Exhibit D